BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-153-E - ORDER NO. 97-669

AUGUST 5, 1997

IN RE: Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, Inc.,

Petitioner,

vs.

Duke Power Company,

Respondent.

GRANTING FOR PRE-FILING OF TESTIMONY

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Blue Ridge) for an extension of time until Monday, July 21, 1997, to submit its testimony and exhibits. In addition, Blue Ridge requests that Duke Power Company (Duke) be given until Monday, August 4, 1997, to prefile its testimony and exhibits. Counsel for Blue Ridge states that Counsel for Duke has agreed to the requested extension of time to prefile.

We have examined this matter, and hereby grant the requested extensions. Blue Ridge shall have and shall prefile on or before July 21, 1997 its testimony and exhibits. Duke shall prefile its testimony and exhibits on or before August 4, 1997. As per Commission Regulations, parties shall serve all other parties with copies of prefile testimony and exhibits.

We further note Duke's Motion to Dismiss and/or Motion for Summary Judgment filed in the case, and the response of Blue Ridge to that Motion. We hereby hold that the Motion to Dismiss shall be heard at the merits hearing on this case.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

(SEAL)